

**AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS**

Kindly amend the claims, without prejudice, without admission, without surrender of subject matter, and without any intention of creating any estoppel as to equivalents.

Please amend claims 1, 3, and 4, and add new claims 15-21 as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) A topical formulation for ~~preventing or treating~~ acne, which comprises extract obtained from one oriental medicine selected from the group consisting of ~~Cavalia~~ Canavalia *gladiata* and *Biota orientalis*.

2. (Original) The formulation according to claim 1, wherein said extract obtained from said oriental medicine is contained in said topical formulation in an amount of from 0.001 to 20.0 wt%

3. (Currently Amended) A ~~topical formulation for preventing or treating~~ ~~acne~~ comprising extract obtained from two different kinds of oriental medicine, wherein said extract comprises 0.01-10 wt% of *Cavalia gladiata* and 0.01-10 wt% of *Biota orientalis*; 0.01-10 wt% of *Cavalia gladiata* and 0.001-5 wt% of *Coptis chinensis*; or 0.01-10 wt% of *Biota orientalis* and 0.001-5 wt% of *Coptis chinensis*.

4. (Currently Amended) A ~~topical formulation for preventing or treating~~ ~~acne~~ comprising extract obtained from three different kinds of oriental medicine, wherein said extract comprises 0.01-10 wt% of *Cavalia gladiata* and 0.01-10 wt% of *Biota orientalis* and 0.001-5 wt% of *Coptis chinensis*.

5. (Withdrawn) A method of preparing the topical formulation of claim 1 comprising the steps of:

(a) powderizing *Cavalia gladiata* or *Biota orientalis*,

(b) heat-extracting obtained powder in at least one solvent selected from the group consisting of distilled water, methanol, ethanol, propanol, butanol, glycerol, propyleneglycol, 1,3-butylene glycol, methyl acetate, ethyl acetate, benzene, hexane, diethyl ether and dichloromethane,

(c) filtering obtained extract, and

(d) concentrating and freeze drying the resultant under reduced pressure.

6. (Canceled)

7. (Original) The formulation according to claim 1, wherein said formulation is in the form of emulsion, gel, pack, cosmetic liquid or soap for cosmetics, ointments or patches for pharmaceuticals.

8-9. (Canceled)

10. (Previously presented) The formulation according to claim 2, wherein said formulation is in the form of emulsion, gel, pack, cosmetic liquid or soap for cosmetics, ointments or patches for pharmaceuticals.

11. (Previously presented) The formulation according to claim 3, wherein said formulation is in the form of emulsion, gel, pack, cosmetic liquid or soap for cosmetics, ointments or patches for pharmaceuticals.

12. (Previously presented) The formulation according to claim 4, wherein said formulation is in the form of emulsion, gel, pack, cosmetic liquid or soap for cosmetics, ointments or patches for pharmaceuticals.

13. (Withdrawn) A method of preparing the topical formulation of claim 3 comprising the steps of:

(a) powderizing at least two from the group consisting of *Cavalia gladiata*, *Biota orientalis*, and *Coptis chinensis*;

(b) heat-extracting obtained powder in at least one solvent selected from the group consisting of distilled water, methanol, ethanol, propanol, butanol, glycerol, propyleneglycol, 1,3-butylene glycol, methyl acetate, ethyl acetate, benzene, hexane, diethyl ether and dichloromethane;

(c) filtering obtained extract, and

(d) concentrating and freeze drying the resultant under reduced pressure.

14. (Withdrawn) A method of preparing the topical formulation of claim 4 comprising the steps of:

(a) powderizing *Cavalia gladiata*, *Biota orientalis*, and *Coptis chinensis*;

(b) heat-extracting obtained powder in at least one solvent selected from the group consisting of distilled water, methanol, ethanol, propanol, butanol, glycerol, propyleneglycol, 1,3-butylene glycol, methyl acetate, ethyl acetate, benzene, hexane, diethyl ether and dichloromethane;

(c) filtering obtained extract, and

(d) concentrating and freeze drying the resultant under reduced pressure.

15. (New) A method for treating acne, comprising administering to a subject in need of such treatment a topical formulation which comprises extract obtained from one oriental medicine selected from the group consisting of *Canavalia gladiata* and *Biota orientalis*.

16. (New) The method according to claim 15, wherein said extract obtained from said oriental medicine is contained in said topical formulation in an amount of from 0.001 to 20.0 wt%.

17. (New) A method for treating acne, comprising administering to a subject in need of such treatment a topical formulation comprising extract obtained from two different kinds of oriental medicine, wherein said extract comprises 0.01-10 wt% of *Cavalia gladiata* and 0.01-10 wt% of *Biota orientalis*; 0.01-10 wt% of *Cavalia gladiata* and 0.001-5 wt% of *Coptis chinensis*; or 0.01-10 wt% of *Biota orientalis* and 0.001-5 wt% of *Coptis chinensis*.

18. (New) A method for treating acne, comprising administering to a subject in need of such treatment a topical formulation comprising extract obtained from three different kinds of oriental medicine, wherein said extract comprises 0.01-10 wt% of *Cavalia gladiata* and 0.01-10 wt% of *Biota orientalis* and 0.001-5 wt% of *Coptis chinensis*.

19. (New) The method according to claim 16, wherein said formulation is in the form of emulsion, gel, pack, cosmetic liquid or soap for cosmetics, ointments or patches for pharmaceuticals.

20. (New) The method according to claim 17, wherein said formulation is in the form of emulsion, gel, pack, cosmetic liquid or soap for cosmetics, ointments or patches for pharmaceuticals.

21. (New) The method according to claim 18, wherein said formulation is in the form of emulsion, gel, pack, cosmetic liquid or soap for cosmetics, ointments or patches for pharmaceuticals.